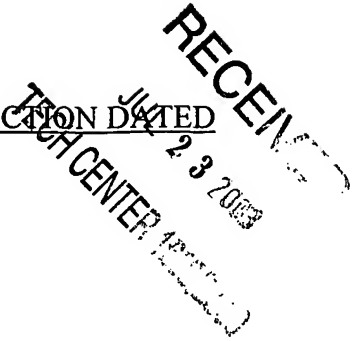




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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF OFFICE ACTION DATED
19 MARCH 2003



Commissioner for Patents
Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Claims 1 through 55 are pending in the above-identified Application. Please amend the specification and claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claims 51-55.

REMARKS

The office Action dated 19 March 2003 requires election of one of two groups of claims for further prosecution. These groups are as follow:

I. Claims 1-50 drawn to drug particle size reduction process, classified in class 424, subclass 489.

II. Claims 51-55, drawn to pharmaceutical composition, classified in class 424, subclass 489, and class 514, subclass to be determined based on specific pharmaceutical activities.

In response hereto, applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-50, drawn to drug particle size reduction process, for examination on the merits.